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Industry and Invention (1875-1915)

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Marker Location

Address: Division and Eleventh

City: Traverse City

State: MI ZipCode:

County: Grand Traverse

Township: Garfield

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Traverse City Regional Psychiatric Hospital

The Northern Michigan Asylum (now the Traverse City Regional Psychiatric Hospital) was organized in 1881. It opened on November 30, 1885, with fortythree residents. Dr. J. D. Munson was the facility's superintendent for its first thirty-nine years. The original buildings served five hundred residents. By 1959 the facility had 1.4 million square feet of floor space and housed 2,956 residents. The institution's farms and its processing and manufacturing facilities covered over a thousand acres and made it nearly self-sufficient. Between 1885 and 1985 it served over fifty thousand residents. After 1960, with advances in treatment and community services, the need for inpatient facilities declined. In 1985, 150 beds served the area's acute and intensive psychiatric needs.

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